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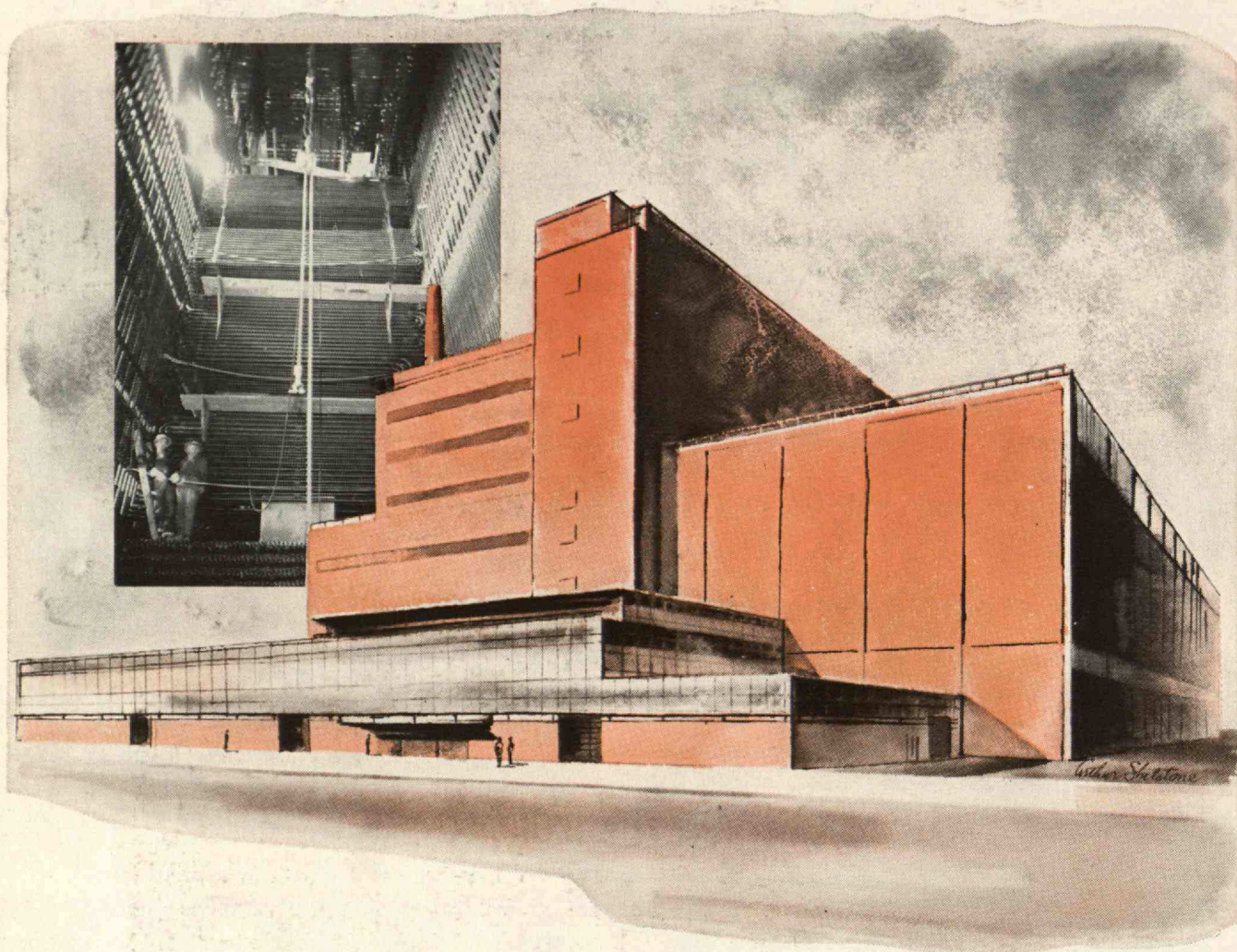


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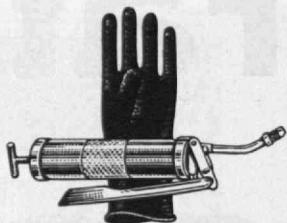
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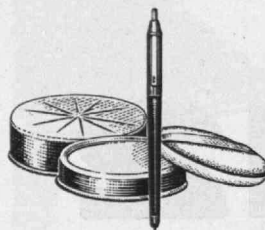
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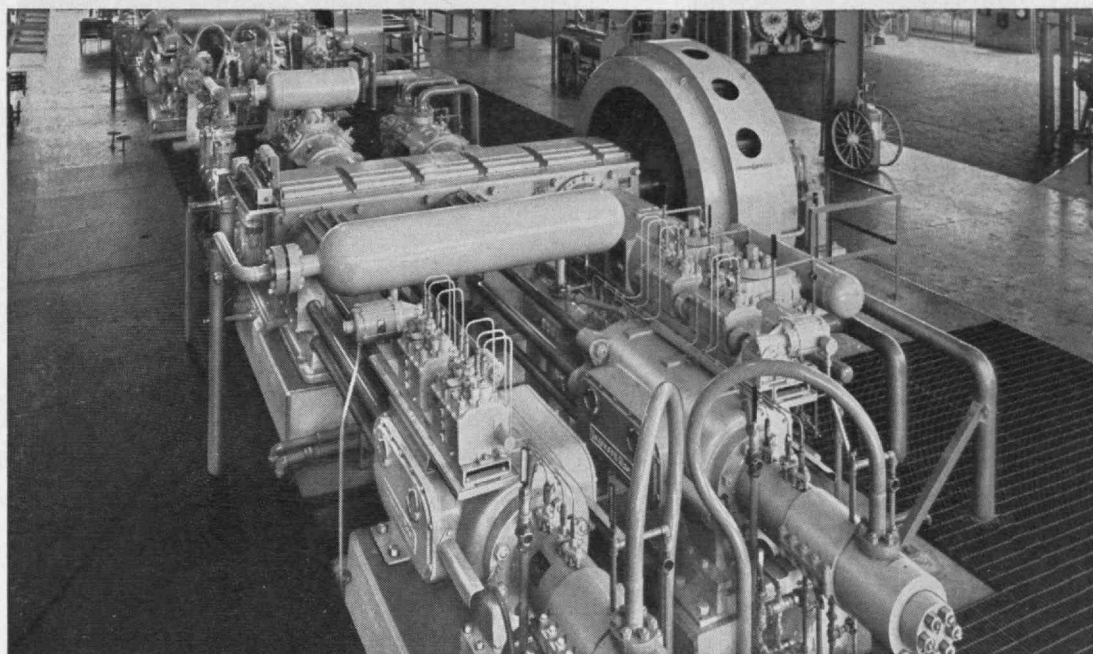
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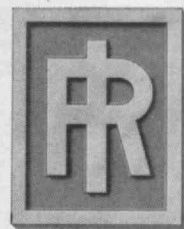
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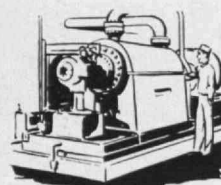
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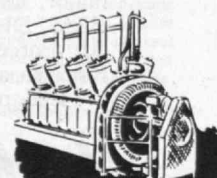
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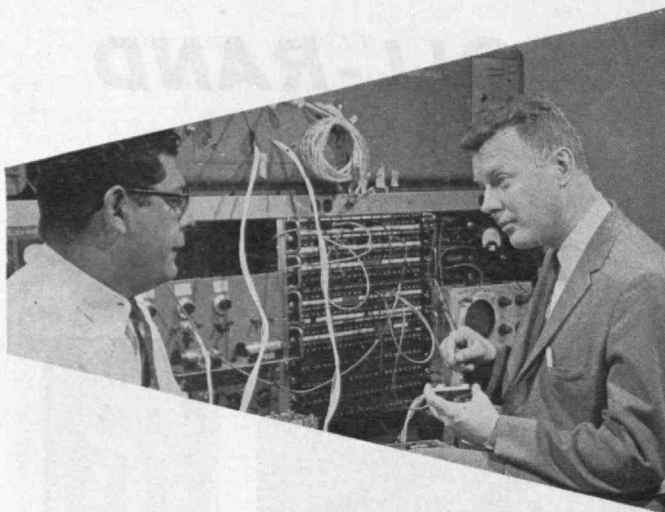
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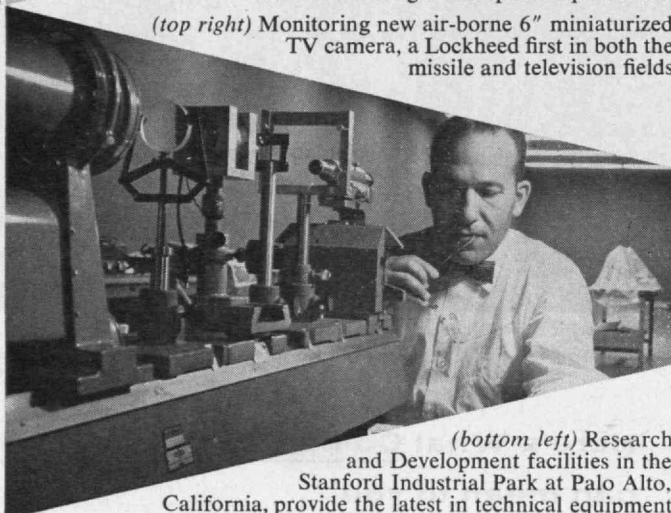
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(top left) Transistorizing missile flight control systems by Lockheed scientists has meant significant reductions in weight and space requirements

(top right) Monitoring new air-borne 6" miniaturized TV camera, a Lockheed first in both the missile and television fields



(bottom left) Research and Development facilities in the Stanford Industrial Park at Palo Alto, California, provide the latest in technical equipment

(bottom right) Setting up a diffraction image for a research study in infrared optics

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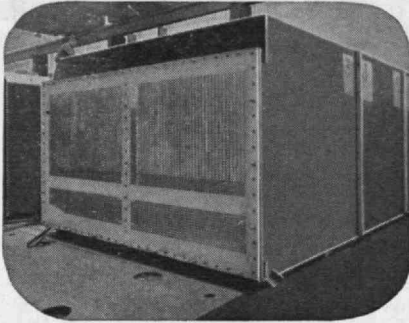
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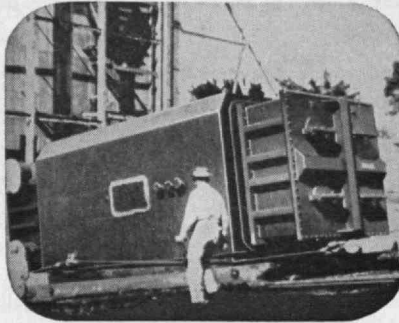
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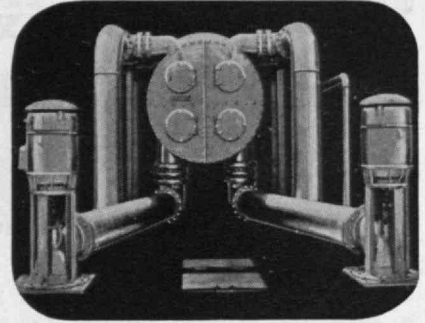
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Head Room problems are solved by compact condensers like this one. Turbine floor to basement floor, in this case, is only 20 ft. The Unit has 65,000 square feet of condensing surface.

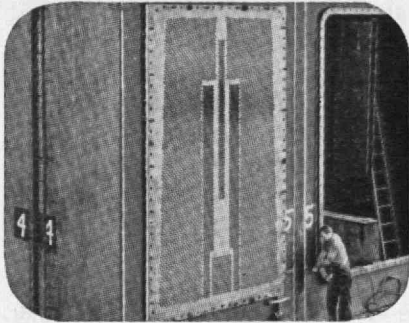


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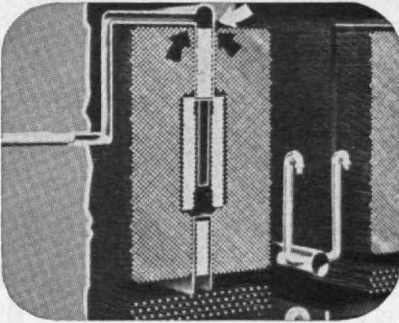


But Wheeler Doesn't limit itself to rectangular design. A round cross section worked out better here, for example, at the first planned gas-steam turbine station ever designed and built in United States.

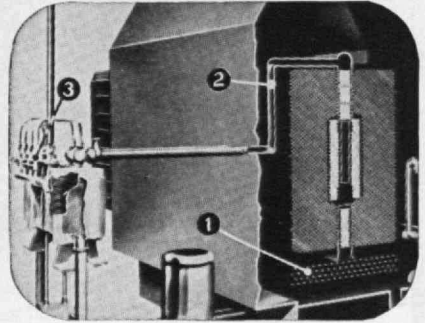
improves power generating efficiencies...



Triple Lane tube layout, another design feature, provides 3 pathways for steam travel, utilizes maximum cooling surface and produces higher condenser vacuums for power generating stations.

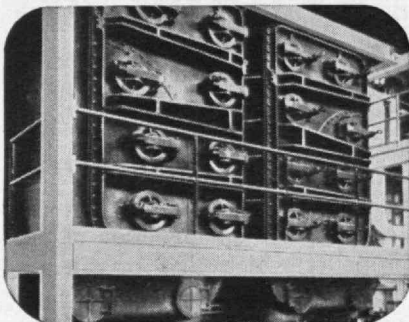


Location of air-vapor takeoff speeds steam travel and allows steam to penetrate to the peripheries of all tubes. It thus improves condenser efficiencies and overall power station operation as well.

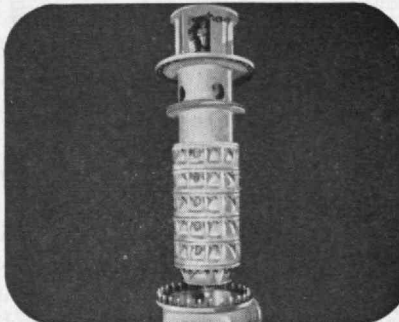


Deaeration off-condensate not to exceed 0.01 cc. oxygen/liter is available with special Wheeler designs. Note the Deaerating Bars (1), the Air-Vapor Suction Line (2), and Tubejet® Ejectors (3).

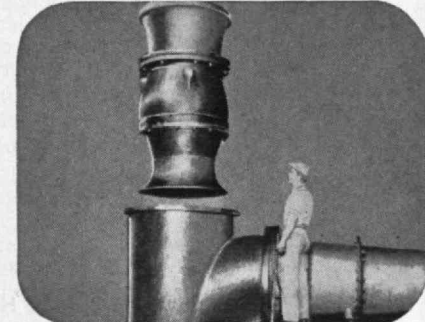
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25 YEARS AGO

*A column of items of interest culled
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■ In May, 1934, The Review reported that "convincing testimony as to the quality of graduate work offered at Technology is found in the recently completed survey of graduate schools conducted by a committee of the American Council on Education. In this survey, the first comprehensive study of American graduate work, Technology was rated as distinguished in 10 of the 11 fields in which it offers work for the doctorate. No other institution had such a high percentage of its work rated as distinguished. The only field, Zoölogy, in which the Institute was not listed as distinguished was judged as satisfactory. . . .

"The study covered 35 fields of knowledge, a list of which was sent to the deans of all graduate schools known to be offering work for the doctorate. . . . The secretary of the national learned society in each field was then asked to submit a list of 100 eminent scholars. To these scientific juries were sent lists of the institutions offering work in their fields and the names of the graduate faculty of each. These scholars, numbering more than 2,000, checked the institutions which in their judgment had adequate staff and equipment to prepare candidates for the doctorate, and starred the departments of highest rank.

"Of the 48 states in the Union, 20 have no institution which in the judgment of the juries is adequately staffed and equipped to offer work for the doctorate in any one of the 35 fields considered. Only five institutions (M.I.T., Princeton, Chicago, Harvard, Cal-Tech) were judged as qualified or distinguished in every field in which they offered doctorates."

■ Additions to the Institute staff, effective the following autumn, were announced as follows:

Francis Bitter as Associate Professor in the Department of Mining and Metallurgy; *Joseph H. Keenan*, '22, as Associate Professor in the Department of Mechanical Engineering; *Robley D. Evans* as Assistant Professor in the Department of Physics; and *Edwin R. Gilliland*, '33, as instructor in the Department of Chemical Engineering.

■ Aeronautical honors came to two Alumni: to *Frank W. Caldwell*, '12, the annual Collier Trophy of the National Aeronautic Association; to *Captain Albert F. Hegenberger*, '17, the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Mr. Caldwell's award was for his invention of the controllable pitch propeller which "has revealed a new horizon in aeronautics and taken the limits off speed. Henceforth, our pace through the air will be as fast as the daring and imagination of engineers."

Captain Hegenberger's decoration was cited as being "for extraordinary achievement while participating in aerial flights. By his initiative, energy, and courage, [he] rendered exceptionally valuable services to the Government of the United States in the execution of a series of aerial flights culminating with a solo instrument flight and landing in May, 1932, in connection with the testing and development of the Air Corps system of Instrument Flying and Landing."

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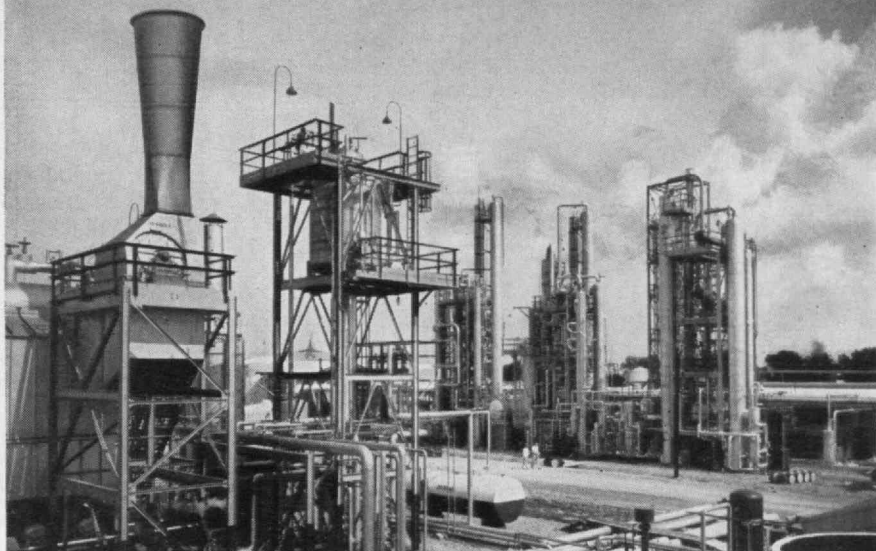


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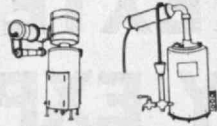
PRODUCT	COMPANY	LOCATION
Vinyl Acetate	Air Reduction Chemical Co.	Calvert City, Kentucky
Phenol-Acetone	Progil-Electrochimie	Pont de Claix, France
Anhydrous Ammonia	Food Machinery & Chemical Corp. (Westvaco Chlor-Alkali Division)	South Charleston, West Virginia
Phthalic Anhydride	Pittsburgh Coke & Chemical Co.	Neville Island, Pa.
Epon Resins	Shell Chemical Corp.	Houston, Texas
Bisphenol	Shell Chemical Corp.	Houston, Texas
Tetramer, Cumene, Phenol-Acetone	Societe des Chimiques des Derives du Petrole	Antwerp, Belgium
Sulfuric Acid	Inland Chemicals Canada Ltd.	Fort Saskatchewan, Alberta, Canada
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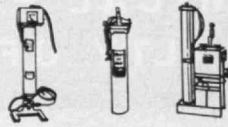
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MAIL RETURNS

A Spelling Problem

FROM EDWARD ZETTERBERG, '25:

Would the famous Russian chemist who developed the Periodic Classification of the Elements recognize his name if he were alive today? Textbooks used have these versions.

Mendelejeff, *Vitalized Chemistry* by Jardine
Mendelejeff, *New World of Chemistry* by Jaffey
Mendelejev, *Biography of Mendelejev* by Posin
Mendeleff, *General College Chemistry*, by Richardson and Scarlett

Recently 20 pupils in a chemistry class were asked to spell this man's name. The spelling was different in every case:

Mendoleff Mandeleff Mendeleof Mendelieth Mendolaieff
Mendelleuf Mendelauf Mendeleiff Mendalith Mendaleff
Mendaleuf Mendalaen Mendelief Mendeljeff Mendeloyeph
Mendalaiph Mendalif Mendolieff Mendleth Mendolief

Is confidence in the accuracy of science affected by authors using different spelling for the name of a great chemist?

Maybe we ought to forget about the spelling and just call him the Great Periodic Man.

Muncie, Indiana

Fission and Combustion Nomenclature

FROM FRANK S. MACGREGOR, '07:

In your November issue . . . I have been bothered by two expressions, namely, "propulsive reactor" and "power reactors" . . . I have never heard a fire box or boiler described by the purpose for which the heat is to be used. . . . Would be pleased to learn if the new nomenclature is to be considered correct.

Wilmington 5, Del.

[Asked about this, Professor Manson Benedict, '32 of the M.I.T. Department of Nuclear Engineering, said: "It has become customary to characterize reactors by the purpose served by the plant of which they are a part. I agree with Mr. MacGregor that this seems inconsistent with usage in plants employing combustion as a heat source."]

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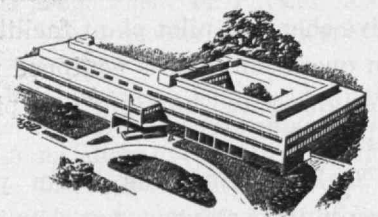
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